

## **DECISION MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** COMMISSIONER KEMPTON  
COMMISSIONER SMITH  
COMMISSIONER REDFORD  
COMMISSION SECRETARY  
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**FROM:** GRACE SEAMAN

**DATE:** FEBRUARY 18, 2011

**RE:** QWEST CORPORATION'S APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF AN  
AMENDMENT TO THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT WITH  
INTEGRA TELECOM OF IDAHO, INC.; CASE NO. USW-T-00-5.

### **BACKGROUND**

Under the provisions of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, interconnection agreements must be submitted to the Commission for approval. 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(1). The Commission may reject an agreement adopted by negotiations only if it finds that the agreement: (1) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement; or (2) implementation of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(2)(A).

### **CURRENT APPLICATION**

On January 24, 2011, Qwest Corporation (Qwest) submitted an Application to amend an interconnection agreement with Integra Telecom of Idaho, Inc. that was approved by the Commission on April 26, 2000. In this Application, the parties request that the Commission approve an amendment that adopts the Qwest Local Services Platform (QLSP) agreement which includes terms and conditions and rates for interconnect of services.


### **STAFF ANALYSIS**

Staff has reviewed the Application and does not find that any terms or conditions are discriminatory or contrary to the public interest. Staff believes the Application is consistent with

the FCC orders and pro-competitive policies of this Commission, the Idaho Legislature, and the federal Telecommunications Act. Accordingly, Staff recommends Commission approval of the Application for Approval of Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement.

### **COMMISSION DECISION**

Does the Commission wish to approve this Application?

  
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Grace Seaman

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